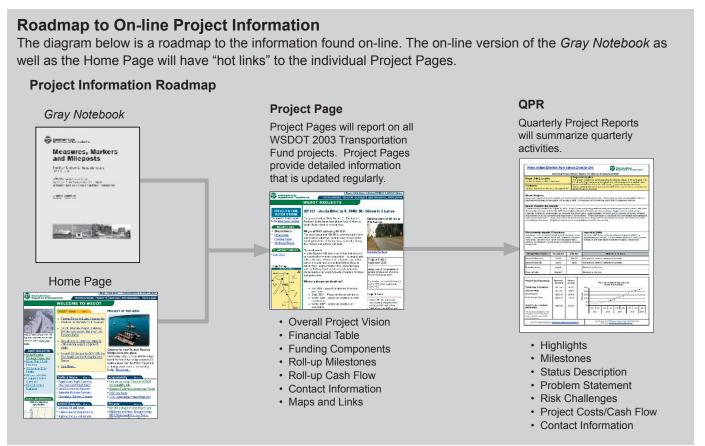
Beige Pages: Project Reporting on the 2003 Transportation Funding Package

For the quarter ending June 30, 2004

WSDOT's Web site provides information on almost every project at **www.wsdot.wa.gov/projects**. The *Beige Pages* begin with guidance and instruction on how to navigate to WSDOT's on-line project pages where you can find even more detail than is in the *Beige Pages*. The information found on the project pages is updated regularly.



Contract Advertising and Awards Biennium to Date

This is WSDOT's fifth quarterly report of the delivery of the 2003 Transportation Funding Package. As of June 30, 2004, 18 highway projects in the 2003 Transportation Funding Package had been advertised:

- 1) I-5, 2nd Street Bridge Replace Bridge
- 2) I-5, Salmon Creek to I-205
- 3) SR 9/SR 528 Intersection Signal
- 4) SR 16, HOV Union Ave to Jackson Avenue
- 5) I-90, Argonne to Sullivan Road (includes: I-90, Argonne to Pine Road)
- 6) I-90, Eastbound Ramps to SR 18 Signal
- 7) I-90, Cle Elum River Bridge
- 8) I-90, Highline Canal to Elk Heights Truck Climbing Lanes
- 9) I-90, Ryegrass Summit to Vantage Truck Climbing Lanes
- 10) 97A, Entiat Park Entrance Turn Lanes*
- 11) SR 124, East Jct. SR 12 Reconstruction*

- 12) SR 161, 234th Street to 204th Street E
- 13) I-182/US 395 I/C Roadside Safety*
- 14) SR 203, NE 124th/Novelty Rd. Vic
- 15) U.S. 395, Kennewick Variable Message Sign
- 16) SR 395, NSC-Francis Avenue to Farwell Road
- 17) SR 500, NE 112th Ave. Interchange
- 18) SR 527, 132nd St. SE to 112th St.

Awarded Projects

The total of the award amounts for the eighteen projects is \$126 million. The total of the pre-bid engineer's estimate for the construction contracts for the eighteen projects was \$131 million. (SR 16 has been advertised, but the award has been delayed due to environmental permitting issues. The engineer's estimate of that project was not included in the \$131 million).

Delayed / Deferred Projects

Six projects scheduled to be advertised prior to June 30 have not been advertised. The circumstances of these six projects and more detail is provided in the *Gray Notebook* pages 3-13.

Progress on Projects to Date

Several of the highway projects funded by the Nickel Account are now under construction or have reached other important milestones. Details can be found in the respective on-line Project Pages at www.wsdot.wa.gov/projects. Some of these projects include:

I-5, Widen Each Direction From Salmon Creek to I-205

This project remains on schedule. The contractor has constructed the abutments, center column, girders, and bridge deck for the NE 129th St bridge crossing. Grading operations necessary to shift traffic onto the detour bridge are underway. Existing soil conditions in some widening areas were unsuitable for roadway construction and have been excavated and replaced with suitable material. The legislature approved \$1.7 million for two noise walls along I-5 in the Salmon Creek neighborhood by proviso in the 2004 Transportation Supplemental Budget. WSDOT plans to construct one wall using the existing contract. The second wall will be performed under a separate contract at a later date.

SR 9/SR 528 Intersection - Signal

Work from winter shutdown resumed in early June 2004. Earthwork, surfacing, paving for the turn lanes, and pavement markings are now complete. The traffic signal was field tested on June 24, 2004 and is now operational. The project continues to remain within budget and is expected to be completed on time by November 2004.

I-90, Build Lanes from Argonne to Sullivan Road

This project constructs one additional lane in each direction on I-90 east of Spokane. Work on the eastbound lanes is continuing, including drainage, noise walls, signing and illumination. Placement of Portland Cement Concrete Pavement (PCCP) started in June 2004 near the Pines Road interchange. The eastbound lanes and ramps are on schedule to be completed in November 2004.

Watch List Projects

WSDOT is giving special attention to projects where cost, schedule or scope expectations may be at risk in the project delivery process, sometimes for reasons outside of WSDOT's control. See pages 10 and 11 of the *Gray Notebook* for details on all the Watch List projects.

Nine projects remain on the Watch List, including the three "new items added "discussed below:

I-5. S 48th to Pacific Avenue- Core HOV

Changes to wall designs, moving City of Tacoma utilities, new right-of-way/access issues in the vicinity of the Delin Bridge, and re-evaluation of work zone traffic control strategies may jeopardize the October 2004 contract advertisement date.

U.S. 12/SR 124 to McNary Pool- Add Lanes

Under the Talent Decision (see Environmental Documentation, Review, Permitting and Compliance on page 22 of this Gray Notebook), the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is considering classifying ditches along U.S. 12 so as to require modification of irrigation structures that will require the previously unexpected preparation of one or more individual Section 404 permits. If so, the scheduled advertisement date in October 2004 will have to be delayed.

SR 106, Scobob Creek- Fish Passage

WSDOT is finalizing the contract documents for this fish passage/bridge construction project. The project team has prepared a revised cost estimate that is slightly higher than the Nickel Funding for this project. A Cost Risk Assessment is underway on this project, to see if further innovations or efficiencies can be identified. Otherwise, additional funds will be needed to construct the project. Impacts to project cost and delivery will be outlined in the September 2004 *Gray Notebook*.

Revenue Forecast

The 2003 Transportation Funding Package enacted by the 2003 Legislature included tax and fee increases. The following charts show the current projected revenues over the next ten years (for the new funding sources) as forecasted in June 2004 by the Transportation Revenue Forecast Council.

